

Exhibits were placed on the table by the following :—

F. G. Bridgman: A series of specimens of *Oliva erythrostoma*, Lam., *O. tremulina*, Lam., and *O. nobilis*, Rve. The validity of separating these species was called in question in view of the instability of the shell characters.

E. A. Smith: Some supposed new species of shells from the Maldive Islands. These shells form part of the collections made by Mr. J. Stanley Gardiner, and are the first important series of marine shells received from these islands. Particular attention was called to a small species of *Janira*.

Rev. R. Ashington Bullen: A series of specimens of *Cypræa tigris*, Linn., from Mombasa, showing colour variation. Specimens of *Hygromia montivaga*, West., a Lusitanian form, from the Pleistocene in Cornwall. The shells were found beneath prehistoric graves at Harlyn Bay: the nearest locality for the living shell is Spain and Portugal.

Dr. W. T. Blanford and E. R. Sykes: Specimens in illustration of their papers.

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#### ORDINARY MEETING.

FRIDAY, 9TH JANUARY, 1903.

E. A. SMITH, F.Z.S., President, in the Chair.

Miss Lettice Digby and the Rev. William H. Webster were elected to membership of the Society.

The following communications were read :—

1. "Note on the dates of publication of J. E. Gray's 'Catalogue of Pulmonata . . . in the . . . British Museum, Pt I,' 12mo, 1855, and of A. Moquin-Tandon's 'Histoire naturelle des Mollusques terrestres et fluviatiles de France,' 2 vols. 8vo, 1855." By B. B. Woodward, F.L.S.

2. "On *Ammonites robustus* (R. Strachey, MS.), H. F. Blanford, from the Himalaya." By G. C. Crick, F.G.S.

3. "On the renal organs of *Nucula nucleus*, Linn." By R. H. Burne, B.A., F.Z.S.

Exhibits were placed on the table by the following :—

F. G. Bridgman: Some varieties of *Oliva irisans*, Lam., and *O. maura*, Lam.

E. R. Sykes: Specimens of *Akera bullata*, Müll., showing extreme variation in size. The largest specimens came from the west coast of Ireland, the intermediate size from the English Channel, and the smallest from off Norway.

R. H. Burne: An oyster attached to the carapace of a crab.

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